

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A spring hinge for spectacles ~~having~~ comprising:
a center piece, ~~and side pieces fitted pivotably thereto,~~ pivotally to the center piece;
a housing having a recess therein;
a spring element positioned within the recess of the housing and cooperating with ~~said~~ the side pieces;
a hinge element ~~a housing having a recess receiving the hinge element and the spring element, within which housing the hinge element is displaceably disposed within the recess of the housing;~~ and ~~having~~
a locking body disposed in the recess at a location to retain the hinge element in the recess, the locking body having a receiving region and the housing having a deformation region ~~which is~~ displaceable into the receiving region, ~~characterized in that wherein the receiving region is and the deformation region are~~ configured such that with the housing region displaced into the receiving region, the locking body, and ~~hence the hinge element,~~ is ~~are~~ prevented from being twisted in the recess and from being pulled out of the recess.
2. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the deformation region is formed by at least one wall region of the housing which is plastically deformable by means of a tool.
3. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 2, wherein the wall region is closed.

4. (Currently Amended) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 2, wherein the wall region is formed by ~~the~~ a rim of a hole made in the housing.
5. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the deformation region comprises two plastically deformable wall regions of the housing.
6. (Currently Amended) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 2, wherein the housing ~~including~~ comprises a side wall and the plastically deformable wall region of the housing is thinner than ~~the rest of the~~ the side wall of the housing.
7. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 2, wherein the tool comprises a mandrel.
8. (Currently Amended) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the receiving region has at least one cavity or flattening in ~~a basic element of the locking~~ body.
9. (Currently Amended) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the receiving region has at least one cutout in ~~a basic element of the locking body,~~ the cutout enclosing and which embraces the deformation region on at least three sides.
10. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the locking body has two guide arms.
11. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the locking body has two running surfaces.

12. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 11, wherein the running surfaces of the locking body are mutually connectable by a material bridge.

13. (Previously Presented) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 1, wherein the locking body has at least one guide surface, which cooperates with the hinge element.

14. (Currently Amended) The spring hinge as claimed in claim 13, wherein the locking body has two mutually spaced guide surfaces, and wherein ~~between which~~ the hinge element is disposed between the two guide surfaces.